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Military Information from the Baltic MP

Town	Time of Observation	Source and Employment	Installation	Location	Occupation
Kaliningrad (N54-42, E20-31)	1950 to May 1951	25X1A	Barracks installation of about 15 cantonment buildings, 2 four-story brick buildings, 1 stable, 1 garage, about 120 meters long, 1 multi-story storehouse, and 1 destroyed gymnasium.	Eastern sector of the Kalthof borough, south of the road to Poleak (Lahiau N54-51, E21-07) and on the east end of Radzivil Street.	Occupied by an engineer unit. Pneumatic boats and other engineer equipment were observed in the storehouse.
			Barracks installation of 5 four-story apartment houses, 1 kitchen-and-mess building, 1 gymnasium, 1 long garage, 1 stable, and an unidentified number of small buildings.	Kalthof borough, adjoining the barracks installation mentioned above, to the east.	Occupied by a tank unit. Up to 45 tanks were observed in the barracks yard.
			Barracks installation	Northeastern sector of the city, on the east side of Cranzer Allee.	Numerous tanks of various types were in the garages of the installation. The number of trucks was estimated to exceed 100 and included some equipped with two guns and searchlights.

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February
1951Source
(194-08
E21-35)1949 to
late May
1951

Billets of one three-story building, about 30 meters long, and fenced-in barracks yard behind the building.

Flour and grain depot in a church and a building about 40 meters long.

Barracks installation of one large four-story building, about 100 meters long, and an unidentified number of wooden cantonment buildings at its rear, surrounded by a wire fence 2 meters high.

Military hospital of three three-story brick buildings.

North side of the main street, approximately halfway between the railroad station and the church.

In the central sector of the town and 300 meters north of the railroad station.

North side of the main street, about 400 meters northeast of the market-place.

Southwestern perimeter of the town.

Occupied by a unit of about 200 men wearing black epaulets and equipped only with small arms. The men were very young soldiers who appeared to be receiving basic training.

The installation was guarded by soldiers. The labor force included about 60 Germans and 100 Soviet workers, who mainly engaged in loading, unloading, and restoring grain.

Occupied by a unit wearing red, and another unit wearing green service color. The latter was referred to as a border guard unit. Source observed the troops marching out of the installation and estimated that the two units totaled 600 to 700 men including about 200 soldiers wearing green service color. Only light infantry weapons were observed. From 60 to 70 trucks were in the barracks yard.

Receiving medical treatment in the hospital were Soviet soldiers and Soviet civilians employed in the town.

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Billets in one large four-story apartment house with an inner courtyard, and an unidentified number of wooden cantonment buildings.

Northwestern sector of the town.

Occupied by a unit of more than 500 men wearing green service color and referred to as a border guard unit. The equipment included small arms and light machine guns, mounted on trucks. About 50 trucks were observed at the installation. According to local residents, components of the unit were employed in the coast area.

Billets in two four-story apartment houses, each about 80 meters long.

Eastern sector of the town, about 400 meters north of the former Catholic church.

Occupied by an MVD-unit of more than 500 men wearing red cap bands and red epaulets. In early 1961, 6 or 7 trucks occupied by MVD-troops frequently entered the surrounding woods. According to local residents, these details were to fight against guerillas.

Billets in former school

Western sector of the town, about 200 meters north of the former Protestant church.

Since late 1960, occupied by a construction battalion of about 300 men, including some armed with rifles. The unit worked at the airfield.

Guerillas

Area of Naumiestic

Source frequently came in contact with guerilla groups wearing Soviet uniforms and equipped with small arms. It was common knowledge among the population that a bridge was blown up south of the town in March 1961. Each of the guerilla groups numbered about ten men.

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Mariampole 1947 to
(B54-33, May 1951
E23-22)

Barracks installation of 10 to 12 three-story buildings arranged in two lines, and 6 to 8 cantonment buildings located at the rear of these structures, north of the street; and 1 large unstucoed three-story officers' billets, south of the street, enclosed by a wire fence, 3 meters high.

Western perimeter of the town directly east of the bridge over the Szesupa River, on both sides of the street.

Occupied by a Soviet troop wearing red cap bands and red epaulets. Four companies of about 100 men each were observed marching out of the installation. Gold numbers such as 12/VII were observed on the red collar patches. The unit was equipped with small arms, machine guns, mortars, and 76.2-mm AT guns. Three or four tanks were also used in practices. The motor vehicles observed included trucks, half-track personnel carriers, jeeps and motorcycles. It was common knowledge among the population that this unit was committed to fight guerillas. Joint practices were held with the units of the surrounding posts at regular intervals.

Small barracks installation

Eastern sector of the town

Occupied by a motorized unit which provided the unit located in the large barracks installation with vehicles. A general's office was in the town.

Ludvinavas Prior to
(B54-29, May 1951
E23-20)

Billets of 10 single-story apartment houses and 2 wooden cantonment buildings.

Central sector of the town

Occupied by two companies, each of about 100 men, commanded by a captain. Source frequently observed soldiers from Mariampole post with the units in Ludvinavas. Ration supplies were also picked up at Mariampole. The equipment included small arms and several trucks and motorcycles.

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Untina
(N56-17,
E27-21)

Prior to May
1951.

Billets of an unidentified number of three-story buildings enclosed by a high brick wall.

Southwestern exit of the town.

Occupied by a motorized unit with troops wearing red epaulets. An unidentified number of houses occupied by officers' dependents was opposite the installation.

Billets of about 10 wooden cantonment buildings enclosed by a wooden fence.

Northwestern exit of the town.

Occupied by soldiers wearing red epaulets.

Riga
(N56-57,
E24-07)

Prior to
20 March
1949.

Billets, the former main PW camp.

Eastern sector of the city, about 1,000 meters east of the central freight yard.

Occupied by a motorized artillery unit in early 1949. Riding past the installation, source observed about 10 guns and an unidentified number of trucks in the billeting area. A balloon unit, almost exclusively of uniformed women was observed in the area of a former cemetery, north-east of the billets.

Barracks installation.

Eastern sector of the city, about 600 hundred meters south-southwest of the Zemtani railroad station.

Trucks and individual horse-drawn vehicles. No troops were observed in the barracks installation.

AAA emplacements.

Eastern perimeter of the city, east of the suburb of Ciekurkalns and north of the railroad line to Valka (N57-47, E26-02).

Riding past the emplacement, source saw four heavy AA guns in improved field emplacements.

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Billets, in former
German forest bunkers.

Northeast of the city,
in the southern section
of the woods north of
Balozī(N56-59, E24-16).

Source, from the road to Valka(N57-47, E26-02), observed
practicing soldiers and a limited number of tanks
which were known to be stationed in forest bunkers
in the southern section of the woods.

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Soviet officers.

Soviet officers identified by source [redacted] included: Colonel Ognov(fnu) /pR5X1
netic spelling/, court officer at the Ministry for
Internal Affairs; MVD Major Morotsky(fnu), MVD officer
at the Ministry for Internal Affairs; MVD Major
Komisarev(fnu), officer on special assignment with
the MVD; and Captain Timoshenko(fnu), officer in charge
of the garages of the Ministry for Internal Affairs.